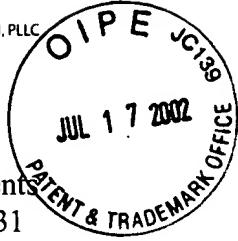


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Re: Application of Christian F. M. DUJARRIC
A PROPULSION DEVICE, IN PARTICULAR FOR A ROCKET
Assignee: AGENCE SPATIALE EUROPEENNE
Our Ref: Q57649

Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a Continuation Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of pending prior Application No. 09/492,749 (confirmation number 1328) filed on January 27, 2000 of Christian F. M. DUJARRIC entitled A PROPULSION DEVICE, IN PARTICULAR FOR A ROCKET.

This application is being filed under 37 CFR § 1.53(d). The prior application, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. It is understood that secrecy under 35 USC § 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file jacket, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file jacket, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all the other applications in the same file jacket.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 3746.

Enter the Amendment previously filed on June 17, 2002 under 37 CFR § 1.116, but unentered, in the prior application.

The power of attorney appears in the original papers of the prior application.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
France	99 00880	January 27, 1999

The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 09/492,749.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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A check for the statutory fee of \$740.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

A Petition and payment for an extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith in Application No. 09/492,749. The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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